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Inventor(s): Markus LoecherFor: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE OF A DEVICE BY
USING MARKOV TRANSITION PROBABILITIES

This application includes:

12 pages of specifications, including claims and abstract
1 title page
1 sheets of drawings, formal/X informal containing 1 Figures
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